

Exeter 25<sup>th</sup> December 1779

Dear Sir

I have Reciv<sup>d</sup> your favor of the 30<sup>th</sup> ult.

The Board of Treasury at Philadelphia have sent this State an acc<sup>t</sup> of the several <sup>sums of money</sup> that stand against them in their Books, in which there is charged to this <sup>State</sup> the Sum of 100,000 Dollars paid to their Delegates the 22<sup>th</sup> of July 1778 agreeable to a Request from the State by a letter Dated the 5<sup>th</sup> of the same month, also at the same time another Sum of 100,000 Dollars by an order on Nicholas Gilman Esq<sup>r</sup> Loan officer of this State Neither of which Sums of money are to be found (credited in our accounts, nor has Col. Gilman (as he says) Rec<sup>d</sup> or paid any such order, nor is there any body at present than can Recollect their being Rec<sup>d</sup>: I at that time was the only Delegate at Congress and I have no Remembrance of Receiving any such Sums at that time; in the month of October the same year Col. Samuel Folsom was sent from the State to Congress to get money, which I procured & sent by him and is properly charged in the account, but have no remembrance of the other, nor do I think it likely, if the State had Rec<sup>d</sup> so large a Sum so lately, they would have sent for more so soon after: you who were at that time Employ<sup>d</sup> in the Business of the State, I should think could remember if any such Sums were Rec<sup>d</sup> at that time & the reason why more was so soon sent for, I Desire you to Recollect what you can on the matter, and if it appears to you as it does to me, to be a mistake, that you would as soon as possible Enquire into it, and see who signed the Receipt for the money when Delivered, and every other Circumstance Relative to the matter, It is probable to me that the State might write a letter to Congress for money at the time mentioned, but I am pretty confident none was Rec<sup>d</sup> or granted: This is a matter of some consequence and I should be glad you would take the earliest opportunity to Enquire into it, and let me know the Result by the very first opportunity; I Expect the President will write the Treasury Board on the Subject very soon perhaps the next post

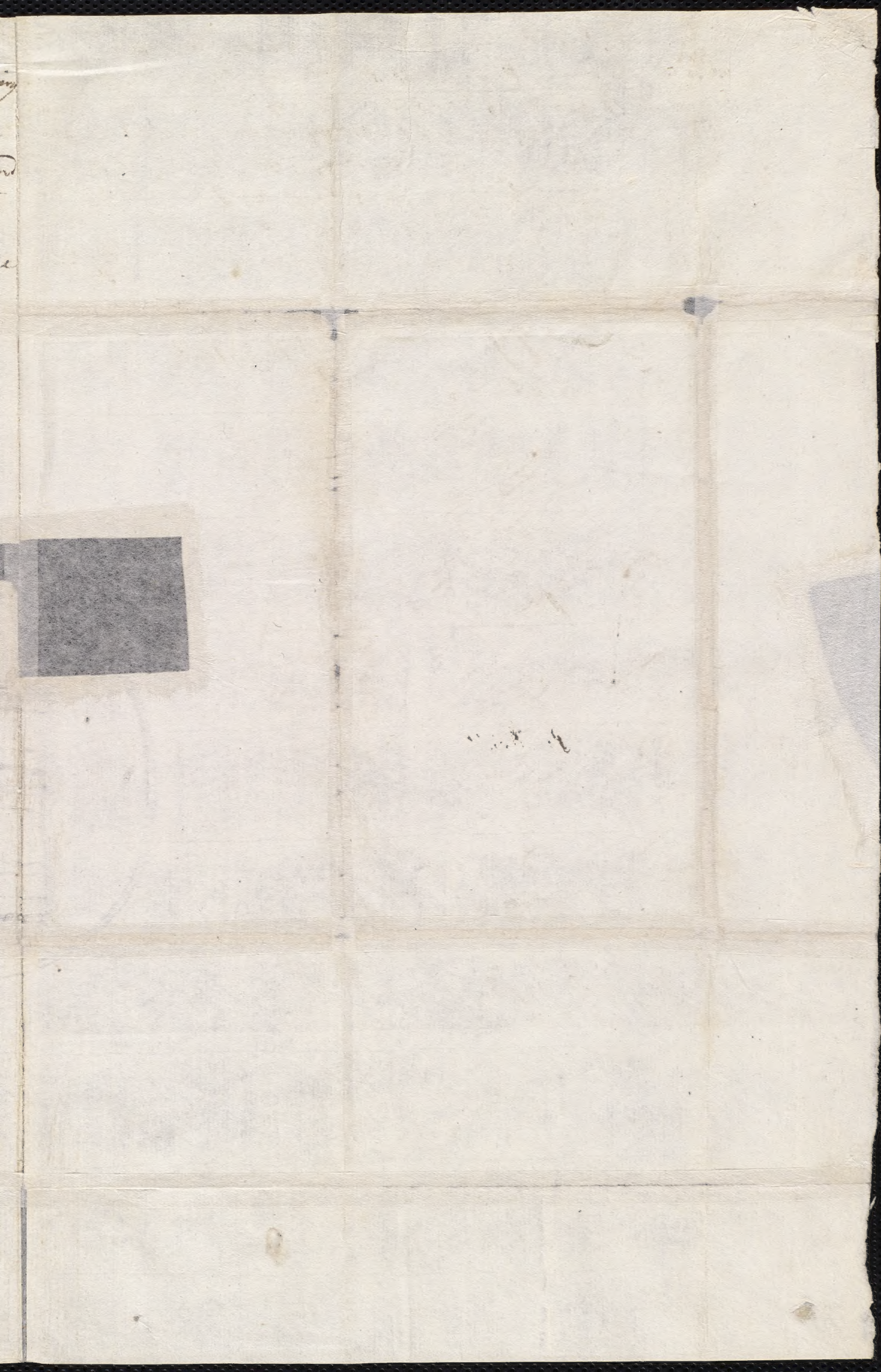


perhaps those sums were granted to some other State  
and ~~was~~ by mistake charged to New Hampshire, by examining  
the journals of Congress, and the names of the persons who  
received for the money, and how & by whom it was sent  
must I think clear up the matter; I am the more concerned  
to have the matter speedily cleared up as I alone at that  
time Representative <sup>was</sup> in Congress; please to communicate  
the matter to Gen: Tolson and ask his advice & assistance

I am as heretofore yours &c  
J Bartlett

Honble Nathl Peabody







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Col. B. ad. L. H.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Nath<sup>l</sup> Peabody Esquire  
In  
Congress  
Philadelphia

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